# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

## FORCE INCIDENT EVALUATION

UNIT: Twin Towers Correctional Facility

DATE: December 11, 2007, Tuesday

TIME: 1010 hours

LOCATION: Twin Towers Correctional Facility, Module 162, ABC Recreation Area

URN#; 007-01569-5800-058

IAB#: FO2210235

NATURE OF INCIDENT:

On December 11, 2007, at approximately 1010 hours, deputies from Twin Towers Correctional Facility were involved in a use of force inside the Pod 162 ABC Recreation Room. The force resulted in the fracture of Suspect Marces' right leg.

Deputies from Pod T-162 ABC had approximately eight inmates from the pod inside the recreation area for outdoor time and were also conducting showers. Deputy went to the door of the recreation area and called one of the inmates out for a shower. As that inmate walked to the door, Inmate Marces stepped in front of the other inmate at the door and announced that it was his turn to take a shower. Deputy told Inmate Marces it was not his turn and he would have to wait. Deputy then told the inmate to step away from the door and face the wall so the other inmate could pass. Inmate Marces initially complied, but then quickly turned and struck Deputy in the face with his fist.

Deputy who had been backing up Deputy at the door, grabbed Inmate Marces around the mid section and forced him up against the windowed wall. A broadcast was made that deputies were involved in a fight and other deputies began to respond. The two deputies then took Inmate Marces to the floor where he continued to punch and kick at the deputies.

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DATE: March 31, 2008

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Deputy arrived and attempted to gain control of Inmate Marces' hands to no avail. He then punched Inmate Marces about the torso in an attempt to gain compliance. Upon the arrival of Deputy Hancock, he saw the deputies still fighting with Inmate Marces. Deputy Hancock struck Inmate Marces in the leg with his flashlight approximately three to four times. Deputy also arrived at the fight and found Inmate Marces still actively fighting the deputies. He also struck Inmate Marces in the leg area with his flashlight approximately three to four times. After fighting with the deputies for more than one minute, Inmate Marces began to cease his resistance. Deputy and the other deputies were then able to handcuff Inmate Marces.

Inmate Marces was treated by Sheriff's Department Medical staff for his injuries and transported by Los Angeles City Fire Department paramedics to the Los Angeles County Medical Center where it was determined that he sustained a broken right leg and suffered cuts and contusions to his face, legs and torso.

Deputy suffered lacerations to his face and neck, as well as a sprained and bruised right hand. Deputy also suffered contusions to his left elbow, a small laceration above his right elbow and a small laceration to his chin. Deputy suffered a sprain and bruising to his right hand and Deputy Hancock received a bruise to his shin. All but Deputy Hancock, who declined medical treatment, were taken to U.S. Health Works for treatment and released.

Internal Affairs Bureau Lieutenant Don Slawson was notified and Sergeants Larry Landreth and David Bly responded to Twin Towers Correctional Facility to conduct an administrative review of the incident.

The following review is based on written documentation, interviews of involved deputies and witnesses.

## INVOLVED PERSONNEL:

Deputy Sheriff, Employee #
Twin Towers Correctional Facility
Custody Operations Division

#### EMPLOYEE'S WORK HISTORY:

Date of Employment:
Date Assigned to Patrol:
Completed Custody Training:
Prior Shooting Incident(s):
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Hancock Jr., Ronald L.- Deputy Sheriff, Employee #
Twin Towers Correctional Facility
Custody Operations Division

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### INVOLVED SUSPECT:

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## **Involved Suspect Criminal History:**

Inmate Marces

Refer to the CCHRS printout included in this review.

(Refer to Exhibit G)

#### INVOLVED DEPUTY WITNESSES:

None

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